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TO: Members of the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education

FROM: Angélica Infante-Green, Commissioner

Blackstone Academy Charter School - Approval Charter Renewal

RECOMMENDATION:

RE:

THAT, the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education moves to renew the charter of Blackstone Academy Charter School for three years beginning with school year 2022-23 and expiring at the end of school year 2024-25. Blackstone Academy Charter School holds the opportunity for an earned five-year renewal.

Under an earned five-year renewal, charter terms automatically extend to a five-year term (school year 2022-23 to school year 2026-27) if the charter receives 3-stars or higher on RIDE's accountability system by school year 2023-24. If the charter does not receive 3-stars or higher on RIDE's accountability system by the end school year 2023-24, then a three-year renewal recommendation becomes final.